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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: John P. Nohl
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VALVE FOR USE DURING CYLINDER DEACTIVATION**
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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please preliminarily amend the subject patent application as follows.

CERTIFICATE OF MAIL

I hereby certify that the enclosed **Preliminary Amendment** is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on May 20, 2004.



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